

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  IES UTILITIES INC.	DOCKET NOS. RFU-00-6 WRU-00-82-151 (PGA-00-59)
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**ORDER APPROVING REFUND PLAN AND GRANTING WAIVER**

(Issued November 29, 2000)

On September 28, 2000, IES Utilities Inc. (IES) filed its purchased gas adjustment (PGA) reconciliation. The reconciliation was identified as Docket No. PGA-00-59. IES amended its filing on October 11, 2000. In the amended PGA reconciliation filing, IES showed an overcollection of 3.12 percent for its interruptible class. Pursuant to the provisions of 199 IAC 19.10(7)"b"(1), IES is required to refund the 3.12 percent overcollection in November 2000. On November 7, 2000, IES filed its refund plan and on November 20, 2000, filed a request to waive the November refund requirement. The refund plan was identified as Docket No. RFU-00-6 and the request for waiver was identified as Docket No. WRU-00-82-151. IES states that because of the illness of a key programmer they will not be able to refund the overcollection as required in November, but will be able to make the refund in January 2001.

The Board finds that the refund plan complies with Board rules and will approve the refund plan. The Board will grant the waiver of 199 IAC 19.10(7)"b"(1)

as requested by IES. The Board finds that there is good cause for the waiver and the refund will take place during the winter heating season when it will be most beneficial. Additionally, the refund will earn interest for the two months that it is being delayed.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The refund plan filed by IES Utilities Inc. on November 7, 2000, is approved with the refund amounts accruing interest until it is paid out.
2. IES Utilities Inc. is granted a waiver of 199 IAC 19.10(7)"b"(1) to allow the refund in January 2001.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr.      /s/ Diane Munns  
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000.